

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Gilles Festeau et al.  
Application No. : 10/686,308  
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For : Cutting Insert for High Feed Face Milling  
Group Art Unit : 3722  
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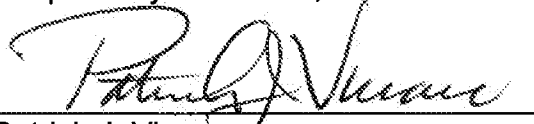
REQUEST FOR STATUS OF APPLICATION

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a status notification of the above-identified U.S. patent application. A Notice of Allowability was issued in this case on May 2, 2006. The Issue Fee was subsequently filed on June 30, 2006, along with an Amendment After Allowance. According to available records, no action has been taken on this application since the Issue Fee payment.

Please inform Applicants as soon as possible as to the status of the issuance of this application. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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